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[1](#)1. (U) UAE officials remain staunchly committed to stemming the flow of counterfeit auto parts, and they routinely publicize their efforts against counterfeit dealers. A February 27 news article in a local newspaper detailed police and law enforcement actions against counterfeit auto parts dealers in Dubai. Acting on a tip from Rouse & Company (a firm that represents four Japanese car manufacturers) Dubai police seized five trucks loaded with 45,000 oil and fuel filters. The police arrested an unidentified number of people and sentenced them to a month in jail.

[1](#)2. (U) This article is one example specific to the auto parts industry that demonstrates UAEG willingness to act and publicize their efforts against counterfeit auto part distribution. UAE authorities recognize that counterfeiting is a problem, and by publicizing raids such as the one described above, they raise awareness of the penalties for dealing counterfeit goods. As stated in Ref B, post strongly recommends that the UAE not be included on the Special 301 Watchlist, and we highlight this article as a recent specific response to the International Anti Counterfeiting Coalition's concerns about counterfeit auto parts in UAE.

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